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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:	)	
	:	Examiner: R. Kang
YASUHIRO HINO	)	
	:	Group Art Unit: 2625
Appln. No.: 09/987,529	)	
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Filed: November 15, 2001	)	
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Introductory Comments

Prior to the examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows.